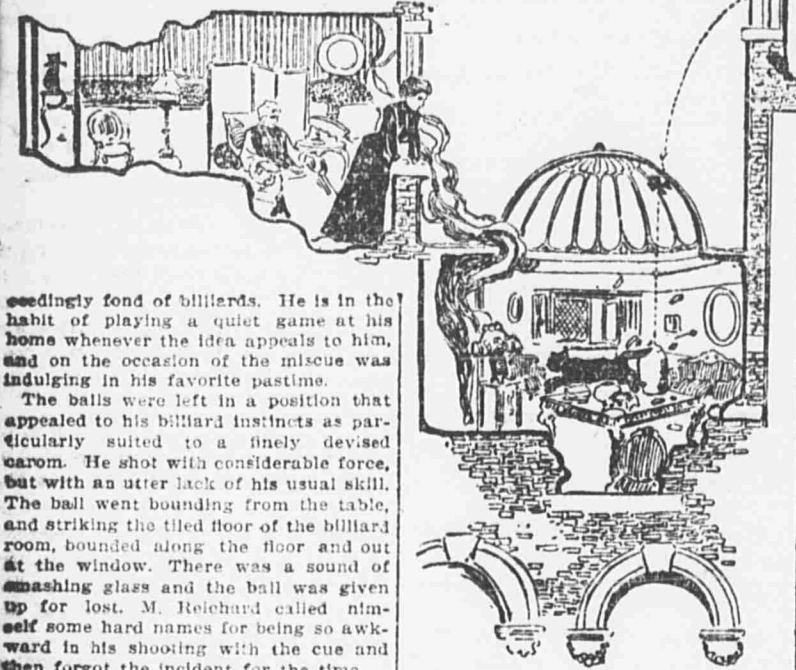


WORLD'S HOME MAGAZINE.

STRANGE SERIES OF MISHAPS
THAT FOLLOVED A MISCE.A Billiard Ball Which Smashed a
Rare and Costly Vase, Caused a
Fire and a Woman's Death and
Broke Up an Engagement.

RISING out of a billiard ball has a series of mishaps that contribute to make two persons exceedingly unhappy. have caused the death of a highly respected and wealthy aunt of one of the two young persons and partly destroyed an expensive residence.

The miscue was made by M. Reichard, a young Parisian of wealth who is ex-



ceedingly fond of billiards. He is in the habit of playing a quiet game at his home whenever the idea appeals to him, and on the occasion of the miscue was indulging in his favorite pastime.

The ball was left in a position that appealed to his billiard instincts as particularly suited to a finely devised warom. He shot with considerable force, but with an utter lack of his usual skill. The ball went bounding from the table, and striking the tiled floor of the billiard room, bounded along the floor and out at the window. There was a sound of smashing glass and the ball was given up for lost. M. Reichard called himself some hard names for being so awkward in his shooting with the cue and then forgot the incident for the time.

In the house immediately adjoining the house of M. Reichard lived an invalid woman of some wealth, and possessed, above all, of a most attractive young niece. They were close friends of the young man who made the miscue, and, in fact, he had for some time been engaged to marry the pretty niece. The affair was looked upon with favor by the aunt and all seemed to be prospering as well as any one could wish.

It appears, however, that the billiard ball, after its leap out of the window, was not content to stop at a bit of broken glass. It went through the glass top of the conservatory and fell directly upon a rare vase beneath. This it smashed to a thousand fragments.

If the affair had stopped at that the

LETTERS.
QUESTIONS.
ANSWERS.

Are Not Eligible to Presidency.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
If children are born in Europe of European parents and their parents come to America and become citizens here and send for their sons, who are two and four years old, and the sons come to this country, are they entitled to become Presidents? A. and B.

The Morning Walk.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
It is better to take a walk before or after breakfast?
H. S. F.

A Calling Query.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
A lady of my acquaintance invited me to call at her house to see her. Should I ask her parents' consent to do so?
L. F. R.

Origin of Coal.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
What is coal derived from?
R.

Not Kate but Kathryn.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
I have been reading for some time the unjust criticism on the bad temper of girls named Kate. Kate need not be ashamed of the name she was baptized with. I honestly think that the critic to some Kathryn, Katherine, Kittie, or Tootsie Woostey, the kind the young man have to cringe to. Kate is a plain, every day girl, while the other K's generally consider themselves fit for a count or a baronet.
JOHN GIBNEY.

"Beats the Record."
To the Editor of The Evening World:
Talking about pretty girls, I think that the New York girl beats the record. I have travelled and haven't seen one pretty girl anywhere. Walk along Fourteenth street or Fifty-ninth street on a Sunday afternoon and if you don't see girls that will make your heart flutter, I'll give up.
D. W.

The Microbe Scatterer.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
Please give address of the secretary of the Bachelor Girls' Club. B. PARKS.

Can Be President if Elected.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
Can a Catholic be President of the United States?
WILLIAM J.

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Jacob L. Greatsinger, by the grace of the directors President of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, felt his heart glow with peace and good will as the shadow of Yuletide fell across his path.

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Will the B. R. T. Conductors Divide Their Christmas Nickels
with Santa Claus?

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DOMESTICS BECAME PRINCESSES.

REAL FAIRY STORIES.

Romances of the popular fairy tales which involve such stories as the rise of the freckle Cinderella have found many counterparts in real life, says the Philadelphia Press.

There are to-day several reigning princesses who have been domestics, but who have, at a single bound, become the rulers of thousands of subjects.

Not very many years ago a young Englishwoman started out as a nursery governess to Patricia.

She was poor, only ordinarily educated, had no particular beauty, and in fact seemed the type of English governess who is nothing but a governess all her life.

Yet to-day she is the reigning Princess in the land to which she went as a stranger, for the Maharaja fell in love with her and married her.

So, too, Her Royal Highness, the Sheikha of Wazan, in Morocco, is another case in point.

The first thing she did was to make a present of their freedom to the fifty personal slaves given her by her husband on her wedding day, and her next act was to compel her royal spouse to liberate the two thousand slaves which he had in his household.

Princess Henry of Pleiss was, prior to her marriage, just plain Miss Cornwallis-West. She is a real reigning Princess, and her husband's castle of Furstenstein is one of the grandest in Germany.

Nevertheless, curiously enough, it is a home which, say those who have visited it, cannot compare in magnificence with that ruled over by her other married sister, who, as Duchess of Westminster, does the honors of Eaton Hall.

It is many years ago now since the marriage of pretty little Miss Bamba Muller, of Alexandria, and her next act was to liberate the latter effect the bridegroom is said to have given her on her wedding day some 430,000 francs, together with jewels of a like amount.

The present Prince Victor Duple

THE WIFE HE ONCE CHERISHED
FLASHES INTO HIS LIFE AGAIN.

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GEORGE BARTMAN was travelling west for the rest and recreation he needed after some years of absorption in a successful business in an eastern city.

He had stopped over for a few days in a Colorado town and was standing on the platform of the railway station awaiting the arrival of the train which was to carry him on his journey further west.

The train was twenty minutes late, and he was waiting away the time watching the scenes about him.

There was some commotion in front of a saloon near the station. A man and a woman seemed to be struggling,

George Bartman's Strange Adventure
at a Railway Station in Colorado
as Narrated by L. Gideon Hicks.

I suppose she's one of them fool women that'll stick to a man and go to the devil with him, no matter how much he abuses her."

"Does he beat her?"

"Treats her like a dog, and she hangs to him like a dog in spite of his cussedness, as if her salvation depended on him."

tempted or contemplated Bartman went to the woman and, taking her by the arm, raised her up and led her out of the house.

As the loungers began to follow he checked them with an imperious wave of the hand.

The woman, with head bent down, walked beside Bartman, until they

THE LAST WORD.



"YOU ARE DEAD TO ME AND TO THEM"

Shooter shook himself free from the woman and made his way unsteadily into the saloon.

The woman followed him and others of the crowd went in.

Bartman also entered the saloon.

Shooter was standing at the counter as the bartender prepared to serve him a drink of some vile, cheap stuff for the nickel he had placed on the bar. The woman took hold of him again and said:

"Jim, you shan't drink any more. Come away."

Shooter turned fiercely and muttering an oath struck her in the face.

To the astonishment of all Bartman stepped quickly forward and with a well-directed blow felled the drunkard to the floor.

Then with his hand on his hip, facing the people who had crowded into the saloon, he showed himself ready to meet any attack that might be made to resent his action.

The fallen man arose with difficulty to his feet and slunk away into a corner of the room.

No one else moved except the woman, who rushed up to Bartman, gazed at him intently in his face, and then, covering her own face with her hands, cowered down by the counter.

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